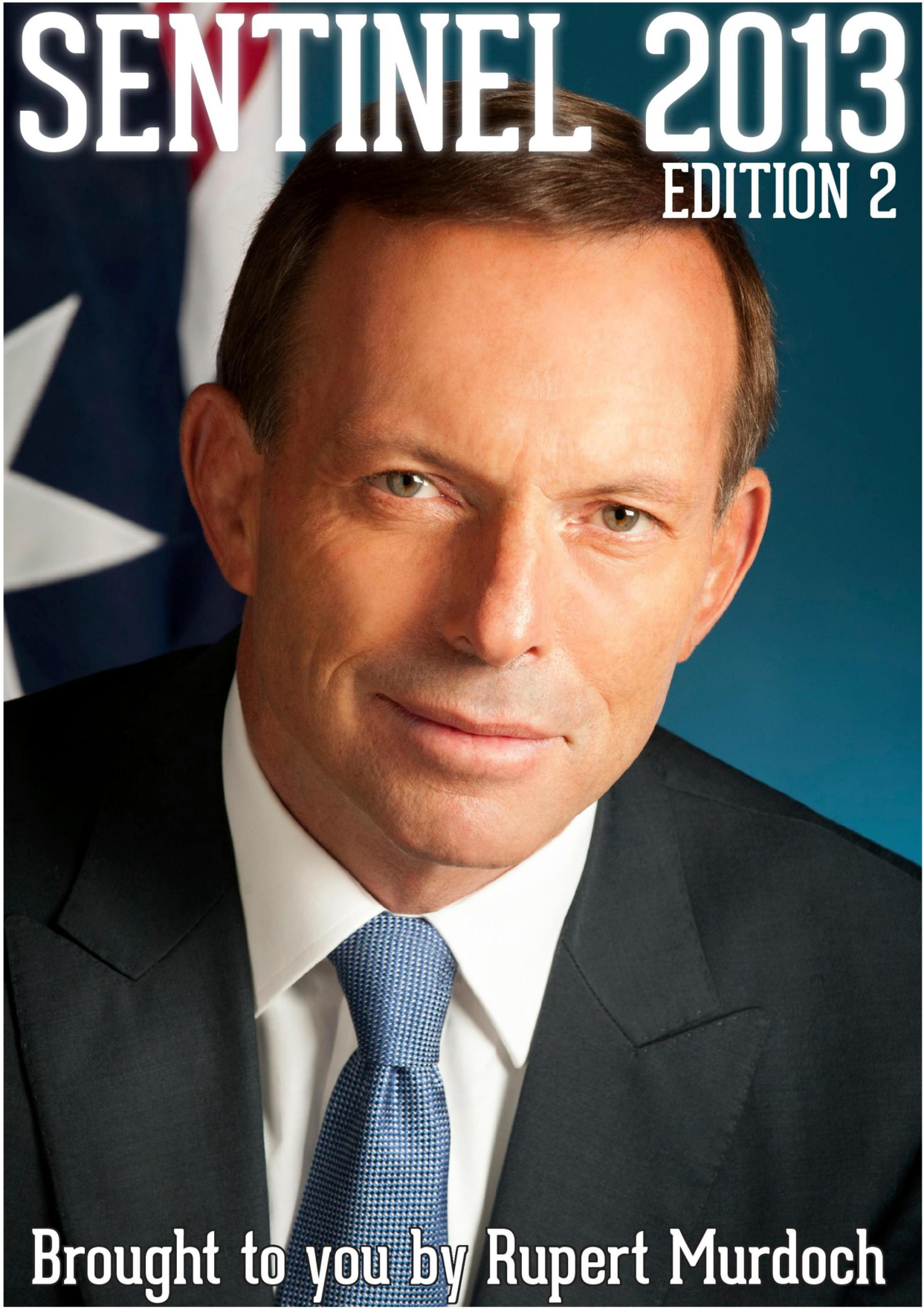


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**"Yeah, the chicken's
pretty cool I guess."**

MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

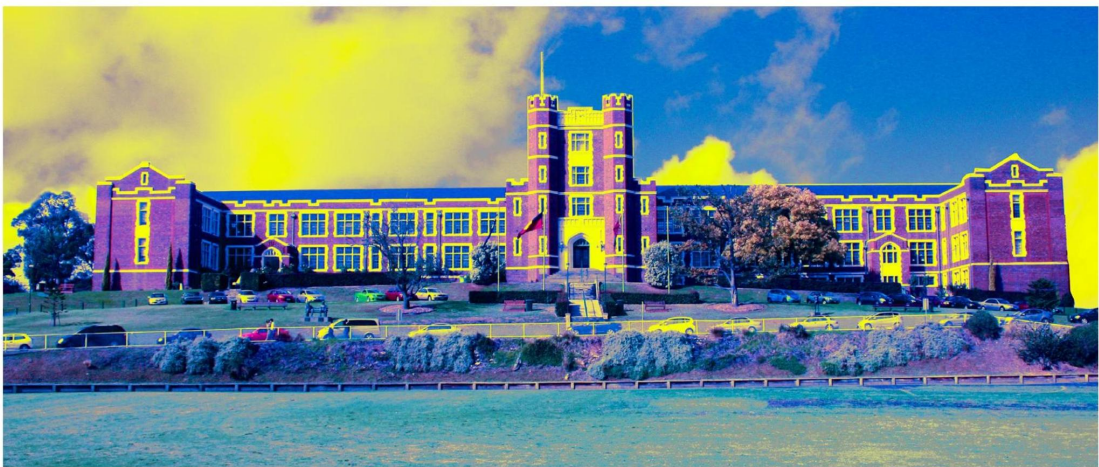
This has been an interesting year for the students of Melbourne High School. Out of respect for those involved, I will not specify the troubles that have recently plagued the school. But boy, shit really went down.

The one thing we should take from everything that's come and gone is the fact that our boundaries are so frail. We're all one small mistake away from being screwed out of the privileged lives we've come to take for granted. Our time at the castle on the hill is short; at most, we'll only be here for four years. Four bloody years. In the scheme of things, that's barely a speck of dust. Four years is one twentieth the average lifespan of a blue whale, one three-billion-four-hundred-and-twenty-five-millionth the estimated age of the universe, and about how long big bad Tommy Ellison has been paying child support. Ba-dum-tsh.

There isn't really much I can say at this point, and I'm far too behind on all my subjects to start writing a comprehensive analysis on the state of our school community, but my message is simple: don't be fooled by your own disillusionment. There's no need to waste your time on petty gratification and the blessing of those forgettable faces you will lose in the sea of countless others. High school is not about learning to stick it to the man. Don't get me wrong, it's not about giving it to the man either. It's about finding strength in your own self, and holding on to it, and keeping it safe, until you can leave and finally let it out for the whole world to see.

Don't mistake this bubble for a sustainable atmosphere. Pretty soon, it's going to pop, and where will you be? ■

- Michael Nguyen-Huynh
Sentinel Editor-in-Chief



DID YOU KNOW...

NEW BOOK SHOCKS SCHOOL

Controversy runs wild through the English faculty, in light of a heartwarming novel about a young man who embarks on an adventure, fights evil and then comes back in a happy ending, having found love and meaning in his life. The book was instantly banned by the VCE English and Literature departments.

“Around twenty pages in, I cracked a smile,” one teacher claimed. “It was terrible. Never have I seen such an appallingly clear plot and set of likeable characters. I had a clear idea of where I stood and where I was going. This is actually a good influence for a teenage male about to open his eyes to life.”

Another teacher was found sitting and staring at the wall in front of him. “I didn’t reconsider. I didn’t heed the warnings. I just read straight through and couldn’t put it down until the end. After that I tried

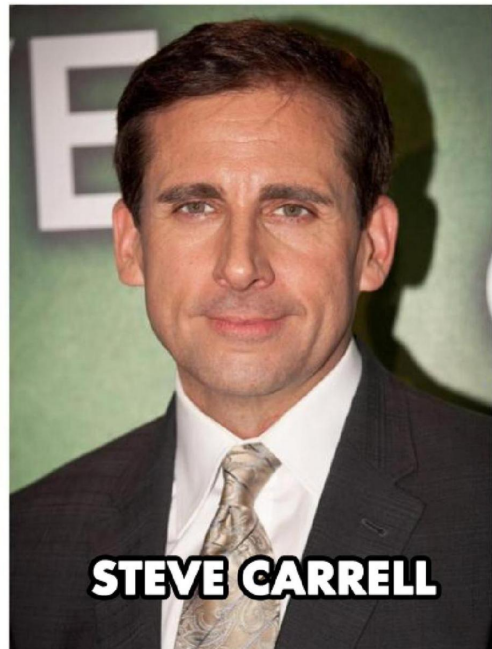
reading some T.S. Eliot to cheer me down but it just felt so...empty.”

“It really makes you wonder what happened to the old ways. I’m concerned that some students may not contemplate suicide after reading it. Truly dangerous stuff.”

Such alarming incidents wouldn’t be unexpected. A year earlier, a Literature teacher famously made headlines after watching a Disney movie, then going back home to hug his wife and two kids. A student reportedly stopped studying Dickinson for two weeks and became fun at parties.

Staff were relieved that the curriculum instead introduced a two-hour play called Hollow Reflections, which is entirely set in a broom closet and features a deaf old man looking for a sponge. ■

SEPARATED AT BIRTH



JUST A TEACHER

Head of the English department.
Fan of nice suits.
And on weekends,
likes to kill people
and wear their faces as masks.
Things are not what they seem.
And it takes a curious mind
to uncover them.

FOREVER CURIOUS



DEALING WITH THE WASP



ART CENTRE, MHS – The school is taking new measures to combat the wasp seizing the Art Centre bubbler taps.

Little is known of the creature, except that it has occupied the school for three years, threatens anyone that comes near, and has an affinity for indie pop music.

A board of student leaders has embarked on a week-long leadership camp at Millgrove, focused around empowerment exercises and emotional discussions about what the wasp means to them

Each form is to have a “Wasp Representative”, who is tasked with

keeping peers informed on wasp-related issues, as well as giving wasp-related cool quotes. The school administration asserts that this is an important leadership position.

Meanwhile, Umbatu High School from Rwanda has graciously donated food and water to G.I.E. The school wrote to us, saying “More people need to be educated about this serious global issue of wasps in high schools. Students in Rwanda do not realise how privileged they really are!”

The school is handling the situation in a democratic manner. Next Thursday in Form Assembly, students will be asked to vote on how to deal with the wasp.

The options include:

1. *Hold a leadership conference in order to plan a forum to discuss methods of getting rid of the creature*
2. *Wait for it to rain, or*
3. *Sacrifice a Year 9 in order to appease the creature*
4. *Get some Mortien*
5. *Harden the F@#K up, the wasp is more scared of you*

DID YOU KNOW... Nah mate, I didnt...

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THE 'WASP PROBLEM'?



"It would take a hero to stop this wasp. But remember kids; a real hero recycles."

Rob McComb, Geography Teacher and
Melbourne High School's Bono



"We all know I'm the real wasp, because I give everyone around me a buzz."

Terry Reilly,
History Teacher and Professional Baller



"It is important to recognise the disadvantages the arthropod infringes upon the student cohort, especially when the community has as rich a cultural diversity as ours. Our vast smorgasbord of cultural diversity must be celebrated in a manner that does not involve wasps. Buzzing is not a language, although we do have 70 different languages at MHS, because cultural diversity."

Jeremy Ludowyke, Principal of MHS



*"I seriously don't give a f***."*

Dr. Janet Prideaux

MR. DOWLING HALL OF FAME

A collection of wise words from the great man himself.

If you're at a nightclub and aiming for 10 but only getting a 3, you will seriously need to review your quality processes.
- 20/05/13

Put your calculator away, you can calculate how overweight your girlfriend is after class.
- 28/05/13

You're as popular as a dog turd at a pool party.
- 18/06/13

If you pay peanuts, you will get monkeys. And you don't want monkeys!
- 18/06/13

Some people, after they retire, they just die.
- 19/06/13

You weren't born in a tent, you were just conceived in one.
- 30/07/13

What do accountants use as their method of contraception? Their personalities.
- 30/07/13

You've only shown me one piece of work - your homework record may be the same rating as your girlfriend.
- 30/07/13

Sentinel COUPONS Print them out and redeem them!

FREE

1 Macrob Girlfriend

Redeemable at your closest library, this coupon will grant you one Macrob girlfriend for a trial period of two months, or until she decides that her studies are more important, and that you two should be friends until she gets a firm grasp on her life and future career, even though you tried to give her as much space as possible whilst also being there for her, but she's really being a selfish princess who just wants to trade up because a 39 in Psychology is just not up to her academic standards, which is a load of crap since you gave up your social life for that study score and you never even got to second base with her, though in the end it doesn't even matter, because to be honest, she really did look fat in those jeans. DID YOU READ THAT ASHLEY? YOU LOOKED FAT IN THOSE JEANS, YOU STILL DO. Do not give water or feed after midnight.

VIP Toilet Priority x 1

Redeem this coupon when standing outside a toilet cubicle alongside another waiting student. They will be required to stand alongside and grant you passage. Offer is not valid if the other student has diarrhoea, unless you also have diarrhoea, in which case, a game of monopoly must be played to the end in order to determine priority.

FREE Wine Vineyard Tour

This coupon will grant you one free tour of Francis Petrie's renowned Frankston wine vineyard. Put on your best flair jeans and mesh top as you sample some the regions finest offerings, including Toothless Grin, Centrelink Sophistiqué, and the award-winning Franga Blanc.

I want to shave my head and bring a gun to school. - Mr Holcombe



EUROPEAN PRINCE LOOKING FOR LOVE

Some men look towards the stars in search of life's beauty. Others look towards money and power. I have no need to search, for I have already found beauty in your entrancing eyes.

Hello, my name is Constantine Douros, and we have met countless times before in the passionate heat of your wildest dreams.

Though I have the wealth of Midas, the body of the mythical Adonis, the great mind of Zeus himself, and the eternal virility of Eros, I am still missing a vital aspect of my whole. Truth be told, I yearn for the delicate hand of a female companion to guide me through the darkness of the ever-consuming night.

I am lost in a sea of artificiality, and I fear that without meaningful love to pull me ashore, I will drown underneath the constant orgies and baklava showers that are currently my life.

If you believe that you are my one, I will be waiting for you at Flinders St Station, every morning for the rest of the year, between the hours of 6-8am. Please, no fat chicks. Also, your skin must be as pale as mine so as not to out-tan me in photos.

I would very much like to take you as my European princess. We will make sweet passionate love, and you will bear for me 27 sons, each to be named Constantine, followed by a numeral.

XOXO

I saw a leprechaun on my dog in central NSW. - Ms Johnstone

In the Zone with Zou:

A relationship advice column from Melbourne High's very own Casanova

"Hi Gene. I've been friends with a girl for a few years, and I have a huge crush on her. Should I risk our friendship by telling her how I feel, or is it not worth the possibility of losing her?"

Since you've been friends with a girl you're captivated with for years, you should praise yourself prolonging this friendship for a long period of time. If you have that deep emotion inside you that wants to be released as soon as possible, then hold your horses and plan ahead on how you want to execute it. Expressing yourself romantically to her won't put your friendship on the line; all you're doing is taking your relationship to the next level. Love is more pedantic than friendship because there are certain things that can achieve a positive step forward and eventually the reality you want is almost inevitable. However, if you have any habits that may be superstitious and annoying according to her perspective, then you've got a big mountain to climb before you may be able to capture her heart. But with me around the corner, here's are some top tips from me that can help you achieve the goals you've set yourself.

1. Arrange a meeting time and place with the girl that is both suitable for you and her. It doesn't have to be a real date; it can be a visit to the local café. When you're requesting a meeting with her via SMS, social media or phone call, speak respectfully and normally.
2. When the day of your meeting has finally arrived, make sure you look casual, clean and clever-looking. There's no need to do any additional things to look overly handsome.
3. It's not a good idea to look like a complete idiot when she finally sees you. I recommend being momentarily distracted before your gaze meets her gaze. Be polite and soft in your language and vocal tone when greeting her, if you want you can ask her common questions like "How's life? How's it going?" Etc.
4. Ensure to keep the conversation going for as long as you can and maintain a positive and kind-hearted tone. Word associations and humorous language are good examples of useful conversational techniques.
5. If you feel it's time to begin the moment you've been waiting for, then calm your nerves. Remove the thought of failure and reveal your truthful feelings to her. Metalanguage, metaphors, similes, humour, descriptive and poetic language can be handy in reinforcing a strong message romantically.
6. Most likely she'll understand you and you know what will happen next after your romantic monologue. But I can't guarantee it.
7. The beginning of a new chapter in your diary.

If you haven't succeeded, don't worry about it, it's not the end of the world. She may not be ready to receive the message you want to give to her. There's always a second chance. Keep on building your friendship with her towards another checkpoint on the mountain until it's time for take two.

I hope my advice has helped you plenty ■

A CURE FOR AIDS

Have you been in this situation? You're walking down a hallway, minding your own business, when around the corner turns a teacher. Perhaps they're current, or someone you've had in a previous year. Regardless, you don't know them well enough to have formed a friendly relationship, and now that you've noticed their rapid approach, and they yours, your frantically struggle to determine how to acknowledge them. Eventually, you settle with looking down at your feet; drowning in a wave of awkwardness and shame.

Do not fret. You are not alone. You simply suffer from a condition known as *Adults Intimidating Dismayed Students*, otherwise known as AIDS.

One in seven students suffers from AIDS, including Vice-School Captain Ryan Sambell. It is a condition that is in dire need of public recognition.



We need to let teachers know that the spreading of AIDS is unacceptable.

A former student recounts the moment he contracted AIDS from an unnamed teacher.

“The period six bell had just rung, and I was off to Science, where I would google pictures of Miranda Kerr in a bikini on my iPad. Suddenly, I spotted him from across the hall; his gentle good-natured affectation hiding something sinister beneath. As we drew closer, I surveyed my choices. I could pretend to have diarrhoea and run off in the other direction, or I could stand with the nearest group of kids and hope that I blended in with the other short, bespectacled, black-haired students carrying iPads. In the end, the call of The Kerr was too much, and I sauntered past him, giving him one furtive glance before blushing and staring away. It was at that moment that I could feel myself overcome by feelings of failure and impotence. The school nurse later confirmed that I had contracted AIDS.”

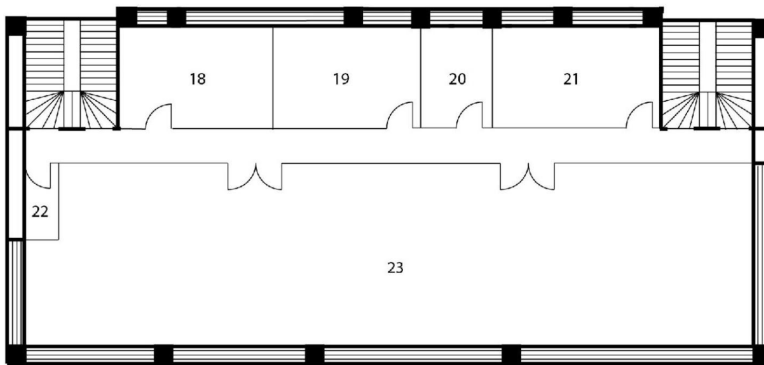
The student later dropped out of Melbourne High, going on to get a 98.5 ATAR at Nossal and becoming a disappointment to his family.

If you don't want this to happen to you, you need to play your part by spreading awareness about the serious affliction, ensuring that no student gets caught in such a situation again. Together, we can stop AIDS. ■

This PSA was brought to you by Sentinel's AIDS Recognition Society (SARS).

I hate South Australia. - Ms Paul

SENIOR BUILDING FLOOR PLANS



SECOND FLOOR

ROOMS INCLUDE:

SRC Office

Sentinel Office/Janitor's Closet #20
- Technically, it's the janitor's closet, which doubles as the Sentinel Office

Gym #23
- To be equipped with twenty seven squat racks and mirrors on every wall.

Hairhouse Warehouse outlet #2
- Staffed by Mr Roberts, Mr Bryant and Mr Fairlie.

Bill Flanagan's Gallery of Ethnic Jokes #3

Mr Connell's 'I Feel Like Taking the Arvo Off' Escape Hatchet #22

Common Room #4

Commoner Room #5
- For students who catch the Frankston Line.

Mr Marotous' 'Fresh Air' Room #1

Mr Roberts' Secret Meth Lab #17

Entrance to Ms Petrie's wine cellar #22

Student dorms #6-13
- Also doubles as a sleazy motel after the Junior and Senior Socials.

The Yarra 2013 Memorial Hall #21
- Lest we forget

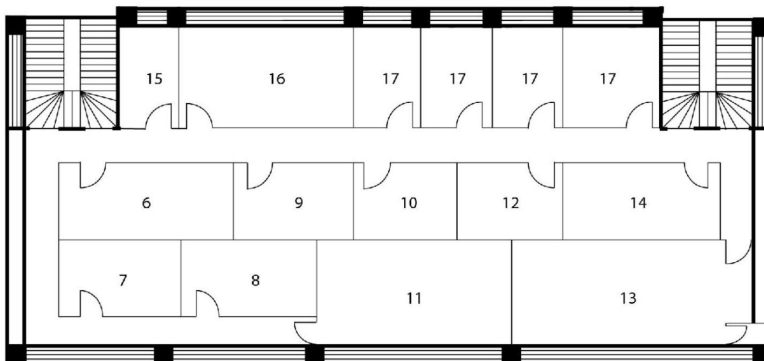
Sam Hall #15
- I guess he just lives here now.

Multipurpose Prayer Room #16

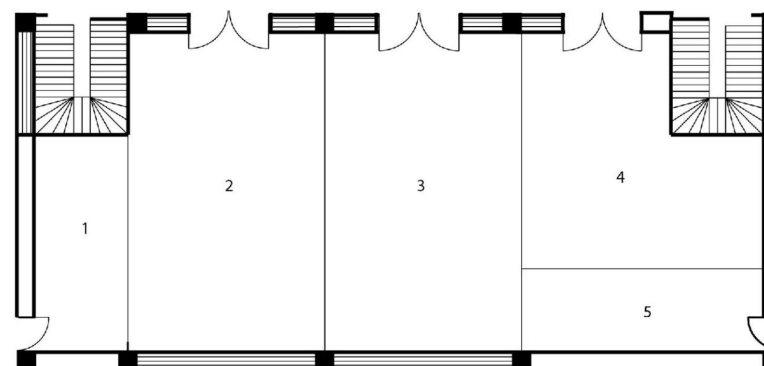
Kanye West Prayer Room #18
- All hail Yeezus

Weird-ass mural of MHS students holding tridents and riding unicorns in the middle of the ocean #6g

The Osman El Souki Reading Room #23



FIRST FLOOR



GROUND FLOOR

You're not a foot fetishist or anything are you? - Mr McMahon

THE REAL TEACHERS OF SOUTH YARRA



Blair Mahoney

“I was always told that to be a great writer, you’d have to ‘kill your babies’. So I did, and now I’m serving three life sentences.”



Michael Connell

“A few years ago, I walked into the school because I really needed to pee and it was the closest location. I was stopped by a teacher and told that I had to be a student or a member of staff in order to access the facilities. And I guess I’ve been working here ever since.”



Steven Bowler

“Beneath all these rock-hard, well-sculpted muscles, lies a man who just wants to be cuddled and told he’s pretty. Team Jacob!”



Anne Paul

“No entiendo esta estúpida suposición de que soy un canadiense. Nací un español orgulloso y voy a morir como un español orgulloso, muy probablemente enterrados vivos bajo mil tacos. Los canadienses son débiles pastosa de piel. ¡Viva la revolución!”

Thank God for the Vietnam War. – Mr Frencham

Sponsor a Year Nine

World Vision®

Building a better world for Year 9s

Being a Year 9 is a terrible affliction, affecting approximately 1 in 4 MHS students. It leaves these people feeling smaller than their peers, with symptoms including: a severe addiction to tablet-based technology, the compulsion to lie down in corridors where people walk, frequently being mistaken for Oompa Loompas, and the irrational belief that their coursework is difficult and/or important.

Being a Year 9 student is the saddest fate of all. Only one cure has been found; graduating from Year 9. But you can help make a difference. By donating to World Vision Australia, you can help make life easier for these suffering children. Let's face it; they deserve better.



Sponsor **Henry Cheng** today

My name is **Henry Cheng** and I am a **Year Nine student**. I really like **riding my bicycle, flying kites and giving people cuddles**.

Henry has form assembly in **S4**.

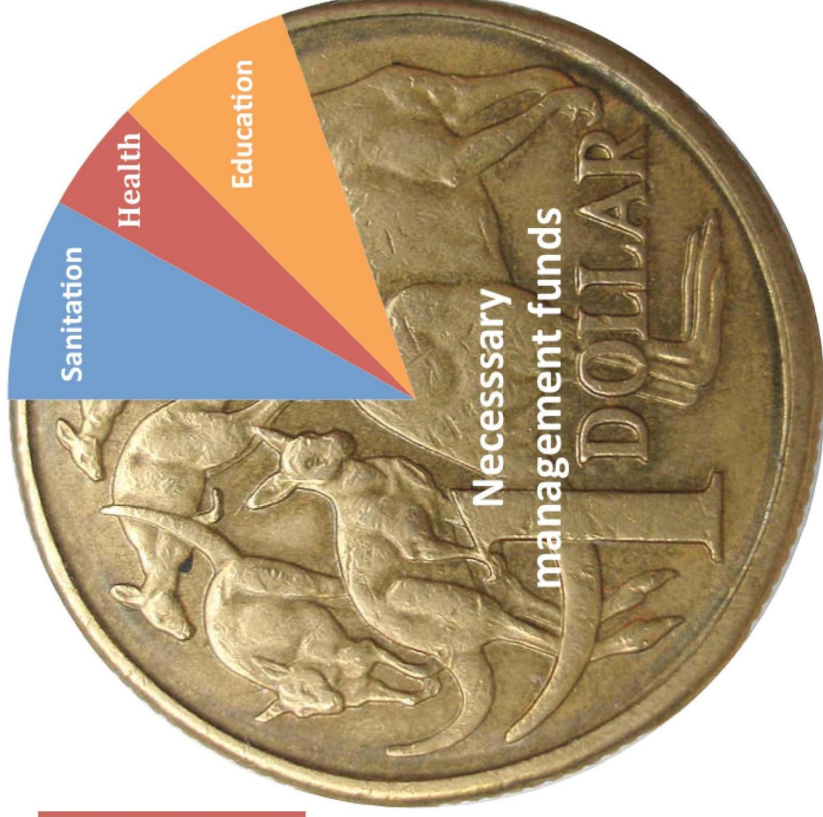
Sponsor
Henry Cheng

For less than \$1 per day you can help provide Henry and other Year 9s in need with access to the basics and change their future.

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Where would my donation go?

Health - Here at World Vision Australia, one of our core Millennium Development Goals is to ensure that no Year Nine starves while waiting for a microwave.



Education - We believe that education is the most important resource for these poor children. We can teach them to keep their heads up, and educate them about the world outside of the Music Centre corridor.

Sanitation - Have you seen the Dining Centre toilets? Here at World Vision Australia, we say, "Jesus f^#!*#g Christ those toilets need to be better".

Unfortunately, a small portion of the money received from your generous donation is essential for operating our service.

**SPONSORSHIP STORIES FROM REAL AUSTRALIANS
WHO HAVE CHANGED THE LIVES OF YEAR NINES**

“Being a Year Nine is the most tragic thing in the world, apart from a teenager not being able to achieve at least half the government’s recommended levels of daily exercise, that is. I was glad to help.” – Miss Doherty

“Year Nines suck.” – Year Ten student

“During every subject, they would be playing on their iPads. Even in P.E. they would carry it around, claiming they were ‘looking at the textbook’ while jogging around the gym. Thanks to World Vision, P.E is finally being recognised as crucial to the school course.” – Mr Bisetto

“The anxiety was too much. One was convinced he would be violently murdered if he failed the Year 9 Geography exam. Because of World Vision, I have been able to comfort him, for that only happens if you have Mr Janus.” – Mr Janus

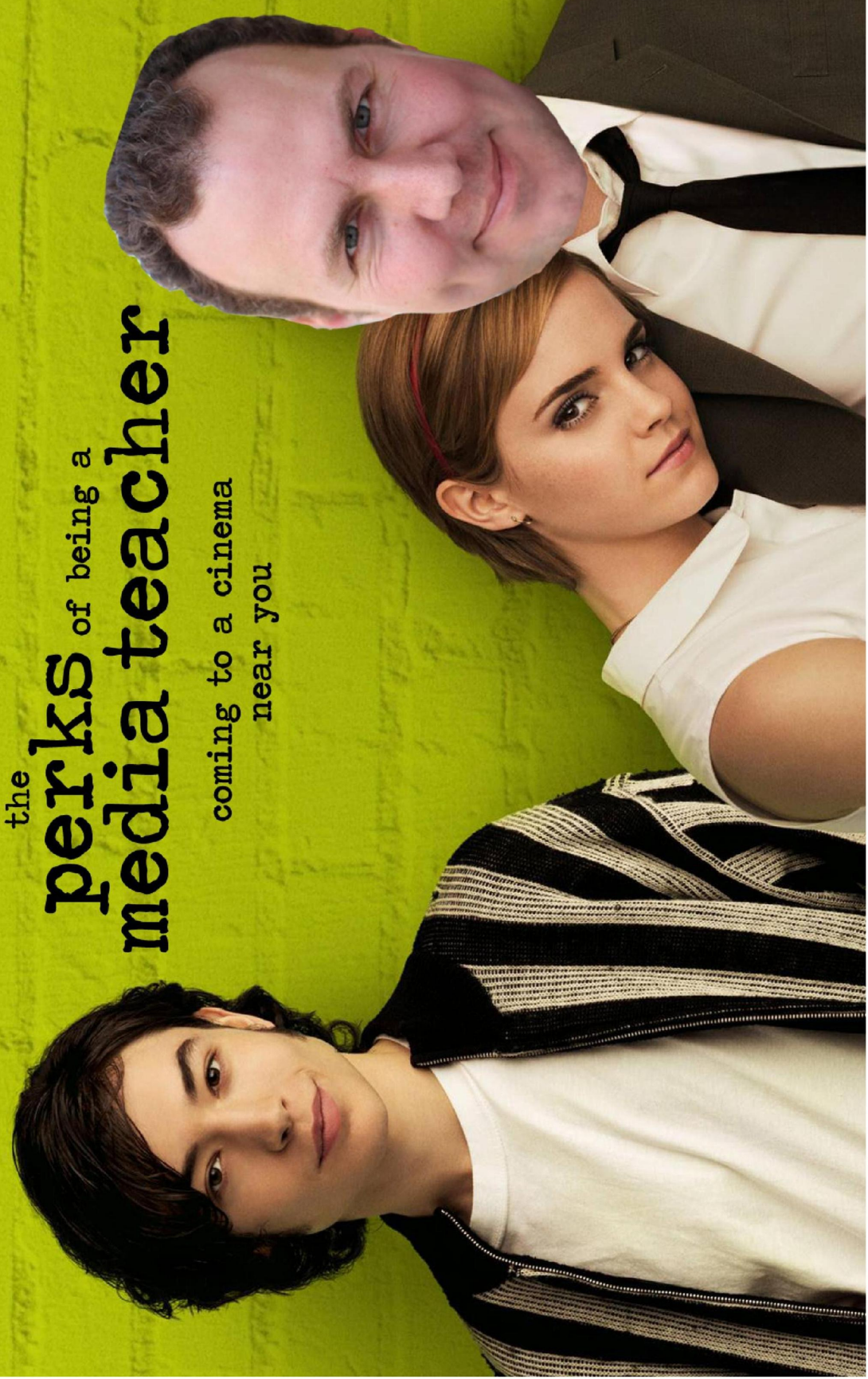
“I gave half of my salary to the cause, since, as we all know, my real wealth is my looks.” – Mr Keat



"And in that moment, I swear we were relevant."

the
**perks of being a
media teacher**

coming to a cinema
near you



A warning from the horrific future

Citizens of the past! I write to you bearing grave news. I do not know if this time-portal will work. Nor do I know if I will be able to finish this letter; the maniacal shrieks of roving street thugs seem to become louder and louder by every passing moment.

I come from a future that is as close to hell on Earth as humanly conceivable. Society has descended into anarchy. Man no longer loves man. Women and children are a commodity. All the animals have cannibalised one another. Blood weeps from the soils and stains our crops, leaving a poisonous taste that has led to mass starvation and a steady dwindling of the population.

God is dead. We have killed him.

In my past, your present, humanity has made a terrible mistake that we are paying for mercilessly. They tried to warn us, those radicals groups that screamed the truth until their voices were hoarse, but we refused to listen. We simply laughed in their faces and blindly gazed upon the strength of an empty utopia that could never last under such tyranny.

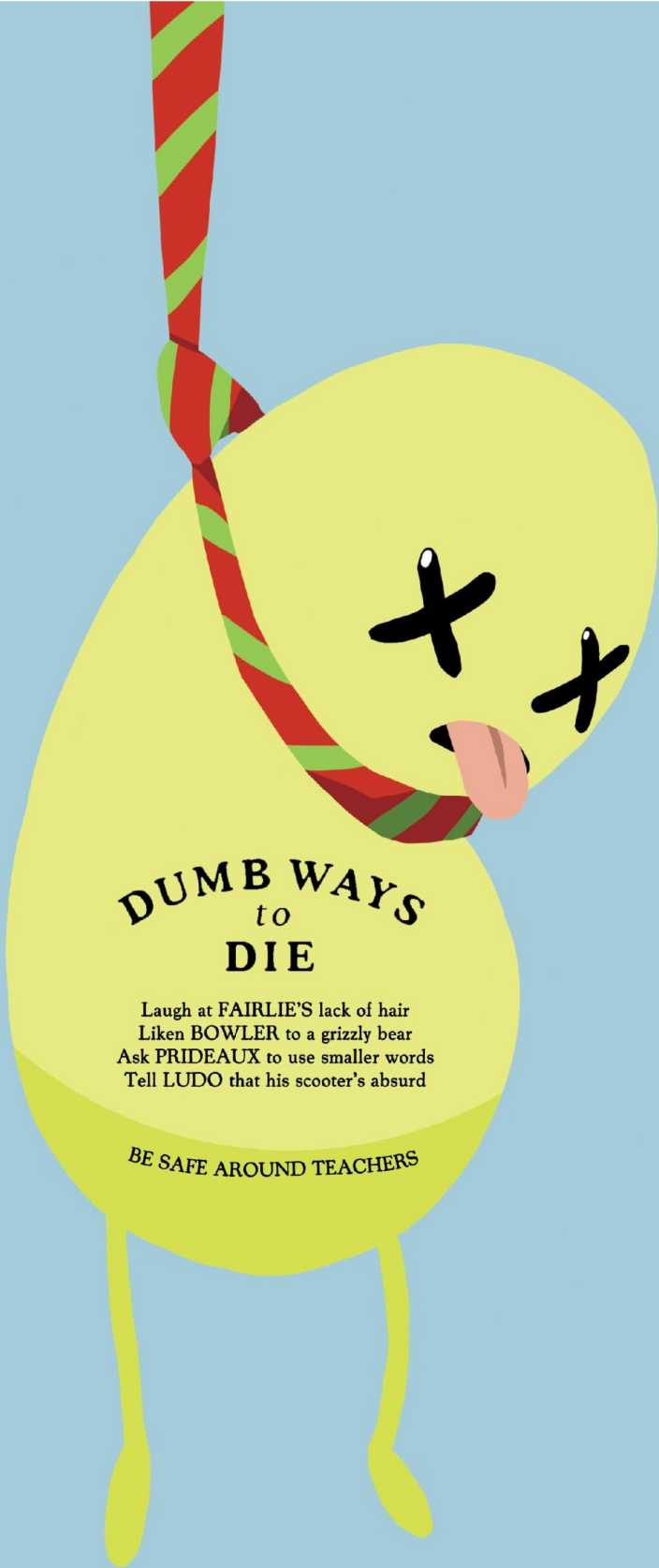
In the days, weeks, after we made the mistake, we still refused to believe that we had doomed ourselves. We continued to drink our expensive cappuccinos, continued to chatter idly about the weather. We smirked and laughed haughtily, until, without warning, the terror reared its ugly head.

Family members were taken away, slowly, one by one. We never saw them again. Women were savaged, without reason, without compassion.

Our basic rights were stripped, and the ones which remained were little more than cruel jokes reminding us of what we had been reduced to.

Please. I beg you. You are the only hope for a shining future, not this smouldering crater of ash and filth. ■

I can make a bomb that big in an afternoon. - Mr Connell



DUMB WAYS
to
DIE

Laugh at FAIRLIE'S lack of hair
Likens BOWLER to a grizzly bear
Ask PRIDEAUX to use smaller words
Tell LUDO that his scooter's absurd

BE SAFE AROUND TEACHERS



Nurses Formal Report

This year's formal was a major success. Only 87 deaths! Can you believe it?

- 27 of these deaths have been attributed to Gene Zou slaying on the dance floor. Sadly, this is a 7-death increase from Thivvy's 2012 harem massacre.
- 16 have died after licking the unicorn ice-sculpture and contracting gonorrhoea.
- Peter Fever claimed another 31 victims, with another 17 in critical condition. I would like to reassert that a disease as old as this is now completely unavoidable if people would be willing to take their PF vaccines. Contrary to popular, absurd scepticism, these shots do not cause autism in children.
- 5 young virgins were sacrificed before the formal in order to sustain Mr Keat's rugged good looks. A reminder for the school to claim these deaths as work-related expenditure for taxation purposes.

Just ignore me because I'm fat. - Mr Flanagan

Hands above the desk, I know what you do back there. - Ms Petrie

Here's 40cents to call somebody that cares. - Mr Guthrie

If I wanted the D, I would have asked for it. - Mr Wood

I can't wait until my son has a girlfriend, so when she comes over, I can open the door in my undies. - Mr Mahoney

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